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TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700Commissioner for Patents
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In response to the final office action mailed July 18, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The top surface 116 will be perforated with non-elongated apertures of the size conventionally used in shaver foils, e.g. 400-800 μm diameter. The concentric concave and convex side skirts 114 and 115 may also be provided with hair receiving apertures of the conventional size. However, they may also be provided with elongate hair capture slots (represented generally by dashed lines 121 in Fig. 3) for improved capture of long hairs. Such elongate slots may typically have dimensions 2000 μm (maximum) x 200 μm (minimum). The foil is manufactured by electroforming in one piece and is open at its base. By virtue of its shape, the foil has an arcuate longitudinal centre line, like a banana, and may be a sector of a torroid.--

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